

CITY OF BELLEVUE  
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

May 7, 2001  
8:00 p.m.

Council Chambers  
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Mosher, Deputy Mayor Marshall, Councilmembers Davidson, Degginger, Lee and Noble

ABSENT: Councilmember Creighton

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 p.m. by Mayor Mosher, who presided.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers except Mr. Creighton were present. Dr. Davidson led the flag salute.

- (a) Proclaiming the month of May as Older Americans Month and May 14-18, 2001, as Senior Center Week

Parks and Community Services Director Patrick Foran spoke to senior citizens' contributions to the community. He attended the South Bellevue Senior Center 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration held last week and was impressed with the long list of community service projects sponsored by that group. Helen Spadoni, Program Administrator at the North Bellevue Community Senior Center, described activities scheduled in May at both senior centers and at the First Congregational Church in downtown Bellevue.

Mayor Mosher read a proclamation declaring May as Older Americans Month and May 14-18 as Senior Center Week. Jim McCoy, President of the North Bellevue Advisory Board, and Pauline Besch, President of the South Bellevue Advisory Board, came forward to receive the proclamation.

(b) Citizen Award for Merit Presentation to Anthony DeJarnatt

Fire Chief Peter Lucarelli introduced the presentation of a Citizen Award for Merit to an individual who recently saved a citizen's life. Firefighter Bill Evans described the Fire Department's response to a seizure patient at the Samena Club pool on February 22, 2001. He explained that Anthony DeJarnatt had rescued the patient from the pool, turned her over to assess her breathing, determined she was not breathing, and moved her safely to the deck of the pool. Mr. DeJarnatt then cleared her airway and she began breathing again. When Fire Department personnel arrived, Mr. DeJarnatt had the patient properly positioned on her side to allow water to continue to drain from her lungs. Mr. DeJarnatt accompanied the patient and aid crew to Overlake Hospital, where he was able to provide doctors with information on the patient's medical history.

Chief Lucarelli presented a Citizen Award for Merit to Mr. DeJarnatt for his lifesaving actions and thanked him for his contribution to the community.

(c) Proclaiming the week of May 19<sup>th</sup> as Emergency Medical Services Week

Mayor Mosher read a proclamation declaring the week of May 19-25 as National Emergency Medical Services Week in Bellevue. Lt. Chief Lou Faehnrich, commander of the City's Emergency Medical Services division, received the proclamation on behalf of the Fire Department.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) Police Chief Jim Montgomery introduced Youth Link Board members Tina Lin and Diana Opong. Ms. Lin said the Community Leadership Awards will be held at Meydenbauer Center in late May to recognize individuals and groups in the community who work to support youth programs. Ms. Opong invited Councilmembers and the public to this event.
- (b) Jake Franco, a 14-year-old resident of the Lakemont area, presented 280+ letters requesting that the City build a skate park in or near Lakemont Park. He noted that approximately 145 adults, 45 business representatives from Lakemont Shopping Center, and 132 young people signed a copy of the letter during the weekend of April 20. He provided a map with suggested locations for the skate park.
- (c) David Hathaway, a 14-year-old student at Eastside Catholic High School, read the letter requesting a skate park to Council. He noted that Bellevue has only one skate park which costs money to join and is not accessible by bus from the Lakemont area. He said the Lakemont neighborhood has tennis courts, a baseball field, basketball courts, and children's play areas, but no skate park. He asked the City to consider allowing skateboarders to use existing stairs and sitting areas in Lakemont Park for skateboarding while Council considers this request.

Mayor Mosher asked staff to follow up on this request. Deputy Mayor Marshall thanked the young men for their hard work and invited them to attend the Parks Board meeting on May 8 to present their request.

- (d) Steven Price, representing Golden Fish Theater, described his difficulty in identifying performance space in Bellevue and encouraged Council to consider the Ashwood Cultural Arts Center development proposal. He feels the siting of performing arts in Bellevue would benefit local restaurants and businesses.
- (e) Michael Terasaki expressed support for the proposed Ashwood Cultural Arts Center. He is a longtime student of Yuko Honda and feels the Center could provide a place for him to continue to learn and practice. He said the Center can have a positive impact on the lives of youth by providing a variety of art, music and theatre activities.

Councilmember Lee commended young citizens for getting involved in community issues.

- (f) Renay Bennett expressed concern that the SE 8<sup>th</sup> Street construction project (part of the Access Downtown project) will be built directly in front of the Wilburton train trestle. She urged Council to preserve the view of this historical and architectural landmark.
- (g) Stacy LeBlanc Anderson read from a letter she submitted to Land Use Director Cristina Van Valkenburgh earlier in the day. She noted a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit applied for by the City in connection with the SE 8<sup>th</sup> Street construction project and discussed concerns about noise and environmental impacts. She said there are a number of past dump sites in the area that will be disturbed by construction activities.

4. Reports of Community Councils, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager

City Manager Steve Sarkozy noted a management brief in the Council packet regarding a proposed zoning change in the Factoria area. Planning and Community Development Director Matt Terry said staff is conducting a traffic analysis to explore potential improvements and mitigation measures that would facilitate transit access to the Factoria area. The Planning Commission is expected to make a recommendation to Council this fall.

6. Council Business

Councilmembers provided their reports in the earlier Study Session.

7. Approval of the Agenda

➡ Mr. Lee moved to approve the agenda, and Dr. Davidson seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 6-0.

8. Consent Calendar

Mr. Degginger requested that item 8(i) be pulled from the Consent Calendar. Mrs. Marshall requested pulling items 8(e) and (f).

➡ Mr. Noble moved to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, and Mrs. Marshall seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve the amended Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 6-0, and the following items were approved:

- (a) Minutes of April 9, 2001 Extended Study Session  
Minutes of April 16, 2001 Study Session  
Minutes of April 16, 2001 Regular Session  
Minutes of April 23, 2001 Extended Study Session
- (b) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending April 25, 2001, and payroll for the period April 1 through April 15, 2001.
- (c) Resolution No. 6538 authorizing execution of an amendment to an agreement for professional services with Segal Company for benefits consulting services in the amount of \$64,989 for 2001.
- (d) Resolution No. 6539 authorizing execution of a PBX Maintenance Agreement with Verizon Select Services Inc. for the ongoing maintenance of the City's private phone system in the amount of \$119,421 not including Washington State Sales Tax.
- (g) Resolution No. 6541 authorizing execution of an amendment to a professional services agreement with RCC Consultants, Inc., increasing the amount from \$120,000 to \$165,000 for services on the Mobile Data Computers/Automated Vehicle Location project. (CIP Plan No. PS-36)
- (h) Ordinance No. 5294 authorizing execution of a contract with the King County Housing Authority to accept funding for social services; appropriating additional revenues for said services to the General Fund and increasing the General Fund appropriation for the 2001-2002 Budget; and amending the Operating Budget adopted pursuant to Ordinance No. 5266.  
*(This service is supported by payment of \$225,000 by King County Housing Authority.)*
- (j) Resolution No. 6543 authorizing execution of an agreement with KCM, Inc. dba Tetra-Tech/KCM to provide design services and contract documents for construction of a new fish passage culvert on Richards Road at Bannerwood Park in the amount of \$61,400. (CIP Plan No. D-91)

Items for Council discussion:

- (e) Resolution No. 6540 authorizing execution of all documents necessary for the purchase of the Marvin L. Norelius property, consisting of an estimated 232,610 square feet of land located at 16643 SE 38<sup>th</sup> Street identified by King County Assessor's Tax No. 122405-9033-05, for the purchase price of \$1,120,000 plus an estimated \$6,000 in closing costs.

Mrs. Marshall said she pulled this item to highlight for the community the purchase of this property in the recently annexed West Lake Sammamish area. Mr. Foran explained that the property was acquired to provide a future neighborhood park. The site provides second-growth forest, gentle slopes with views of Lake Sammamish, and an opportunity for trail connections to the Mountains to Sound Greenway and nearby parks. The home on the property reflects a Frank Lloyd Wright influence and will be incorporated into the master plan for the site. City staff will work with residents to develop a master plan.

Mrs. Marshall thanked Mr. Norelius for his community spirit and vision in proposing the preservation of this site. She commended Lorrie Peterson, Parks Property Manager, for her work on the project.

➡ Mrs. Marshall moved to approve Resolution No. 6540, and Mr. Degginger seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6540 carried by a vote of 6-0.

- (f) Motion to release Grade Inc. from their apparent low bid, at their request, and to award Bid No. 0121 for the construction of Lattawood Park in the amount of \$653,110.08 to Specialized Landscaping Inc. as low responsive bidder. (CIP Plan No. P-AD-63)

Mrs. Marshall is pleased that this park project is ready for construction. Mr. Foran said the City worked with the Latta family and residents in 1998 and 1999 to develop the park's master plan. Council allocated additional funds to the project in the fall 2000 budget cycle. The park will include a large lawn area, a half-court basketball court, tot lot, picnic shelter, walkways, and limited parking. Construction will begin in June with completion scheduled for November.

➡ Mrs. Marshall moved to award Bid No. 0121 to Specialized Landscaping Inc., and Mr. Degginger seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to award Bid No. 0121 carried by a vote of 6-0.

- (i) Resolution No. 6542 authorizing execution of Amendment No. 1 to a professional services agreement with Sverdrup Civil, Inc. to provide professional engineering services and off-site wetland mitigation for the NE 29<sup>th</sup> Connection, addressing enhanced protection of neighborhoods from spillover traffic, increasing the

contract in the amount of \$625,835 bringing the total contract amount to \$1,321,544. (CIP Plan No. PW-R-60)

Mr. Degginger recused himself from voting on this item because the matter involves a client of the law firm with which he is employed.

➡ Mrs. Marshall moved to approve Resolution No. 6542, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6542 carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Degginger not voting.

9. Public Hearings: None.

10. Land Use: None.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions

- (a) Resolution No. 6544 approving a county-wide ballot proposition for funding Emergency Medical Services (EMS) pursuant to RCW 84.52.069 and authorizing execution of an agreement with King County regarding the county-wide ballot proposition for funding EMS.

Mr. Sarkozy noted Council's recent discussions on this item.

Dr. Davidson feels emergency medical services should not be funded through property tax levies. In response to Dr. Davidson, Tom Hearn, Manager of King County EMS, said the 2002 budget provides additional paramedic services not covered by the current year's budget. These represent the first paramedic services added in the county since the 1997 levy proposition failed. Mr. Hearn said the budgets total approximately \$46 million this year and \$49 million next year. Noting citizens' concerns regarding property tax increases, Dr. Davidson said he will oppose the motion.

➡ Mrs. Marshall moved to approve Resolution No. 6544, and Mr. Degginger seconded the motion.

Mr. Degginger said he shares Dr. Davidson's philosophical concerns but feels this is an essential service that must be funded. He said former Councilmember Ron Smith and Fire Chief Lucarelli worked hard with the EMS Task Force to identify alternative funding solutions.

Mr. Lee is disappointed that another solution was not developed but he will reluctantly support the motion. Mr. Noble supports the motion as a necessary step to continue these essential services.

➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6544 carried by a vote of 5-1, with Dr. Davidson dissenting.

Mayor Mosher thanked Chief Lucarelli and Ron Smith for their work on this issue.

12. Unfinished Business: None.
13. Continued Oral Communications: None.
14. New business: None.
15. Executive Session: None.
16. Adjournment

At 8:59 p.m., Mayor Mosher declared recess to resume discussion of Study Session items.

Myrna L. Basich  
City Clerk

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